

Milton Keynes Guidance For Asymptomatic Test Site Flow Chart For Secondary-aged Students From 24 February 2021

Ensure consent to be tested on-site has been obtained. Under 16s require parental consent. Students 16 years and over can consent themselves.

Ask if student (or anyone in their household) has developed symptoms of COVID-19: new continuous cough (coughing frequently for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours) and/or high temperature and/or a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia).

NO

On initial return to school, arrange **THREE LFD Tests 3-5 days apart at your on-site ATS.**

- Students can return to classroom after first negative test result
- Prioritise vulnerable students, students of critical workers and students in year groups 10-13
- Retain a reduced ATS for students unable to test at home, including SEND students where required

NEGATIVE
LFD TEST RESULT

CAUTION
Student can go to class as normal and continue to take all current precautions. The test did not detect COVID-19 but rapid tests miss some infections. **A negative test does not rule out coronavirus infection.**

INVALID
LFD TEST RESULT

Repeat test. If 2nd test result is void pupil should have a PCR test.

The student **DOES NOT** need to self-isolate whilst waiting for the PCR result.

If the PCR is positive they will need to isolate as per Government guidelines.

POSITIVE
LFD TEST RESULT

STOP
Student and their household must self-isolate immediately for 10 days following the date of their LFD test as per Government guidelines.

At present a follow up PCR test is **NOT** required.

The setting should identify and ask close contacts to isolate if the positive case was in the setting in the 48 hours prior to the positive LFD test.

YES

Student should **NOT** use the LFD Test, isolate and send home to book a standard PCR test as soon as possible. This can be done online at: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.

Everyone else in their household must self-isolate until the test result is known.

Alternatively a test can be ordered by phone on NHS 119 for those without the internet.

Positive PCR Result

Student and their household plus any identified close contacts must self isolate for 10 days as per Government guidelines.

Negative PCR Result

Student can return to setting and their household can stop isolating.

Please note:

- LFD tests are used for identifying asymptomatic cases and should not be used if you have any symptoms.
- After the third on-site LFD test students should be given LFD home tests to continue testing twice weekly at home
- LFD tests are safe to use in pregnancy.
- Anyone who has had a Covid-19 vaccination **can** still take part in the LFD testing as they may still transmit the virus.
- If someone is identified as a close contact of a positive case, a negative LFD test does not mean they can stop isolating.
- If someone has had a recent nosebleed they should use the other nostril to swab for the LFD test.
- If someone has a nose piercing they should use the other nostril or remove piercing before swabbing.
- **If student has recently (within 90 days) had a positive PCR test for COVID-19 they are exempt from testing by both PCR and LFD within 90 days of a positive PCR test, unless they develop new symptoms. Individuals may however choose to take a LFD test after the isolation period.**
- See guidance for further information:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jYv0MjFyIlbzgPn_1S10OuRgfri_b5_P

